

## NEWS RELEASE

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## MINNESOTA MAN INDICTED FOR DEFRAUDING RICHMOND, MO., COMPANY

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Bradley J. Schlozman, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Minnesota man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for defrauding a Richmond, Mo., business.

**Rick D. Demartini**, 41, of Lamberton, Minn., was charged with wire fraud in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Today's indictment alleges that **Demartini** devised a fraud scheme to obtain \$215,000 from Arnette Limited, Inc., a chemical manufacturing company located in Richmond, from April 29 to Nov. 23, 2005.

According to the indictment, **Demartini** represented himself as either the manager or president of a building foam installation company called Entirely Seamless, Inc., located in Lamberton. **Demartini** traveled on multiple occasions to Arnette Limited's location in Richmond to purchase either half or full loads of bulk polyurethane spray foam or 1.2 density foam. For purchases transacted on Nov. 4 and Nov. 23, 2005, **Demartini** utilized a notarized \$75,000 letter of credit ostensibly from Farmers Ag Financial Services.

The indictment alleges that **Demartini** faxed the fraudulent letter of credit to Arnette Limited in order to obtain, without payment, foam product or materials.

Schlozman cautioned that the charge contained in the indictment is simply an accusation, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charge must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney K. Michael Warner. It was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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